International airport at NOIDA

194. SHRI LALIT SURI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of Prime Minister's statement of 6th January this year that there is a justification to have an international airport at Greater Noida, Government propose to amend the rules relating to minimum distance between two airports to have second airport for Delhi so as to decongest IGI airport in Delhi;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) by when execution of the project is likely to commence?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) to (c) The matter is at a preliminary stage.

New airport at Hyderabad

195. SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the status of new proposed greenfield airport at Hyderabad;

(b) whether it is a fact that there are certain problems in going ahead;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the time for commencement of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) The Greenfield airport at Shamshabad near Hyderabad being developed with Public Private Partnership as a joint venture project is in progress. Various project agreements such as Concession Agreements, Direct Agreement with Lenders, State Support Agreement, Land Lease Agreement, Financing Agreement, CNS/ATM Direct Agreement with Lenders, Airport Operation & Management Agreement have since been executed. The construction work has commenced on 10.10.2005 and is in full swing, with all the milestones achieved as targeted. The completion time of the Project is 36 months from the date of Financial Close (FC). FC was achieved on 22nd August, 2005.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) The airport will be commercially operational by April, 2008.